

FY2015 CHNA&HIP Progress Report

Des Moines County

Community Health Improvement Plan

GOAL	Strategies	Progress on Strategies
Strengthen the Public Health Infrastructure: Lack of public awareness regarding available community groups and programs. Goal: Improve communication and awareness/knowledge of community agencies, resources and services by 2016	1. Develop a website for public access.	Website is maintained and updated by Burlington Public Library and Des Moines County Public Health. http://www.burlington.lib.ia.us/250/Des-Moines-CountyService-Directory
	2. Evaluate current public program/agency information	Information was update in April 2014
	3. Work with all community services to update their program information that will be provided to the public via the web. i.e. Purpose of agency; Service provided; Days and hours of operation; population served; phone number, address and email address.	Updated April 2014. The entities that have listing on the web page notify Public Health with any changes and the Library makes the changes. The web page is discussed at community meetings and new information is added when received.
	4. Evaluate usage of new web directory by reviewing number of web site hit.	This has not been done. This strategy will not be accomplished due to budget cuts and the time consumed keeping the site updated.

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Protect Against Environmental Hazards: Issue Lack of knowledge regarding Radon testing. Goal: Increase public knowledge of Radon Testing availability	1. Place link on county website to IDPH Radon Division.	Radon information has been posted.
	2. Write up a brief explanation of Radon and it's effect and place on county website.	No funding source identified for Radon Testing. Strategy complete with information on website.

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Environmental Hazards: Issue: Lack of interest in Lead Poison Prevention Coalition. Goal: Establish a Lead Poison Prevention Coalition by 2016.	1. Prepare news release to inform the public regarding Lead Poisoning.	Lead program continues to be discussed at community meetings.
	2. Identify potential members from community partners.	Discussions have been held with different community partners
	3. Identify potential consumer members.	
	4. Send letters to potential members to gather interest in coalition.	Have not engaged members for the coalition
	5. Follow up letters with phone calls to set up first meeting.	

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Prevent Epidemics & spread of disease: Issue #1 Greater than expected Food borne Illness Rates. Goal: Increase reporting of Food borne illness (FBI) or suspected illness, eventually decreasing the number of FBI reports by 20 % in two (2) years and 50% in 5 years.	1. Provide testing, prevention, and reporting information to Des Moines County Medical Providers by 7/1/11.	The Health Care Coalition purchased medical dispatch program that will be set up to perform syndromic surveillance which should alert health care to potential food borne illness.
	2. Provide prevention education to Civic, Religious, Sports, Schools and other groups.	Food Safe training is offered to all of these groups.
	3. Increase # of reported food borne illness cases.	Timeliness of reports has improved.
		Strategies complete

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Prevent Epidemics & spread of disease: Issue #2 Pneumonia and Influenza Vaccination Rates are lower than desired. Goal: Increase pneumonia vaccination rate to 75% and Influenza vaccination rate to 80% in Des Moines County population age 65 and over.	1. Education about availability of vaccine and necessity via media and medical providers.	Education to the public continued this fall. DMCPH saw an increase in numbers requesting vaccine.
	2. Increase availability from local medical providers. Investigate if GRMC pharmacy can provide/stock vaccines for all of its providers.	All pharmacies in the area offered influenza vaccine and some offered pneumonia vaccine. Have not seen any data as to numbers of doses given.
	3. Encourage all medical providers who administer influenza vaccine to also screen patients for Pneumonia vaccine.	Medical providers offer the vaccine at office encounters and the hospital offers everyone in in patient care the vaccines before dismissal.
		No data obtained but strategy complete

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Healthy Behaviors: Goal Reduce the percentage of Obese/Overweight from 30% to 26% by 2016	1. Promote Iowans Fit For Life website on GRMC, Des Moines County Public Health, Chamber of Commerce and School Websites in the community.	Healthy Life Style conference was geared toward causes of obesity and how to change life styles.
	2. Evaluate what is being done already in the community	Programs to increase exercise in the schools, also changes in food program in schools to include increase in fruits and vegetables. Continue attendance at SIRCLE. Pioneering Health at the Y has obtained funding for sidewalks to new Jr. High and are seeking further funding to increase bike trails. A local food pantry is offering cooking lessons to individuals who request food. A crockpot or electric skillet is given to those who attend classes.
	3. Continue representation at SIRCLE meetings	
	4. Develop a measureable baseline to evaluate progress by 2012.	GRMC in their program developed baselines from the BMI'S obtained.
	5. Obtain BMI's from schools for K-5.	This has not been shared. 2011 data shows obesity rate are 37.6% in males and 38.4% in women.
		This health issue will be followed in the next CHNA & HIP.

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To develop a community wide emergency plan that includes "Access and Functional Needs" population and exercise portions of plan by 2016.	1. Identify groups who work with "Access and Functional Needs" population.	The Health Care Coalition has identified "Access and Functional Needs" population and has representation on the coalition.
	2. Develop agenda and bring like groups together to discuss how they are working with individuals to prepare for emergency situations. Including discussion on community assets groups for planning on using.	The community has had an exercise the involved a nursing home and we have had meetings with area facilities to encourage development of plans.
	3. Develop necessary Memorandums of Understanding and execute.	MOU's have been executed for the Health Care Coalition.
	4. Bring all of the groups together for one big meeting to discuss what is planned in the community.	MOU's have been executed for the Health Care Coalition.
	5. Identify individuals from "Access and Functional Needs" population to serve on planning committees.	MOU's have been executed for the Health Care Coalition.

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Coordinated effort to educate the community regarding Preparedness, Response and Recovery.	1. Identify agency to host a website with information regarding the plan and agencies involved. Emergency response	Websites have been updated.
	2. Identify, recruit, train, retrain volunteers for emergency response. (They in turn will get the word out about the plan).	Volunteers have been reinvited to remain on the call list. Many have left the area so recruitment is occurring.
	3. Develop volunteer reception center, so that volunteers can be deployed to site where needed and then return to center before going home.	Emergency Management has worked on the reception area. Programs have been offered in the community regarding preparedness. Severe weather, Critical Emergency Employee Preparedness, POD and the need for church involvement in planning and response.
	4. Develop a campaign regarding the "Special Need Registry." Update data in registry annually.	Community agencies that serve the elderly and other special needs population continue to support the registry.
	5. Recovery: After a situation evaluate effectiveness of plans and make necessary changes.	
		This will be an ongoing goal.

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Prevent Injuries: Issue Water related deaths/accidents. Goal: Reduce water related deaths/accidents.	1. Research possibility of water front signage on all public access areas.	Signage has been posted in downtown area.
	2. Research possibility of requiring swim lessons for all school age children by survey.	Reduced cost swim lessons offered by the YMCA.
	3. Discuss with all school districts in Des Moines County the possibility of requiring swim lessons for graduation.	This did not materialize
	4. Signage will be posted on all public access areas (to water) and children will be required to have swim classes.	On May 19, 2012 the community experienced the death of four young people in a boating accident. The community created a group that raised funds to build and erect a small lighthouse to be placed in a park very close to the river. The lighthouse was dedicated on May 19, 2014 to remind boaters to be safe on the water.
		Strategies have been accomplished to the extent they can be.